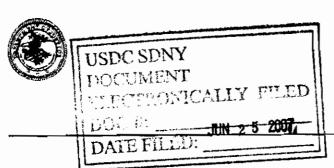
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The Honorable George B. Daniels United States District Court Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

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Re: <u>United States v. David Wilkins, et al.</u>, 07 Cr. 566 (GBD)

Dear Judge Daniels and Counsel:

The Indictment in the above-referenced case was returned by the Grand Jury and assigned to Your Honor yesterday. The Court has scheduled an arraignment for Horace Hedgepeth for Wednesday, June 27, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. I have left messages with all other counsel in an effort to schedule their arraignments at the same time, and will advise the Court in advance of next Wednesday as to which defendants will be appearing for arraignment in addition to Hedgepeth.

The Government requests an exclusion of time under the Speedy Trial Act, from today until June 27, 2007, so that the defense and the Government can work towards a disposition in this case. In addition, the Government will begin producing discovery. I have spoken to counsel for Hedgepeth concerning this request, and he does not object. The ends of justice served by such a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

Respectfully,

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